

Jacob's Well

June 2018



- June 3** **SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST** **Celebration of the Lord's Supper**
Pastor Jenn preaching
Lectionary Readings: 1 Samuel 3: 1-10; Psalm 139: 1-6, 13-18; 2 Corinthians 4: 5-12;
Mark 2: 23-3:6
Greeter: Patti Booth
Liturgist: David deVelder
Ushers: Matthew Waldinger/Ajay Deyoe
Counters: Paula Sheely/Cindy Brockman
Communion Servers: Cindy Brockman/Amber Deyoe/Paula Sheely
Communion Cleanup: Bill Olmert
- June 10** **THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST** **Guest Speaker from Mariposa DR Foundation**
Lectionary Readings: 1 Samuel 8: 4-11, 16-20; Psalm 138; 2 Corinthians 4: 13-5:1;
Mark 3: 20-35
Greeter: Cindy Brockman
Liturgist: Ajay Deyoe
Ushers: Karl Thayer/Bill Olmert
Counters: Amber Deyoe/Bruce Guerineau
- June 17** **FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST** **Father's Day**
Lectionary Readings: 1 Samuel 15: 34-16: 13; Psalm 20; 2 Corinthians 5: 6-10, 14-17;
Mark 4: 26-34
Greeter: Bill Olmert
Liturgist: Holly Deyoe
Ushers: Bridget Behrens/Hank Harrington
Counters: Paula Sheely/Bruce Guerineau
- June 24** **FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**
Lectionary Readings: 1 Samuel 17: 32-49; Psalm 9: 9-20; 2 Corinthians 6: 1-13;
Mark 4: 35-41
Greeter: Anna Bierma
Liturgist: Chris Garney
Ushers: Makenzie Harrington/Katrina Harrington
Counters: Amber Deyoe/Anne Mitchell

**Our worship services begin at 10:00 am. The sanctuary is handicapped accessible.
Holy Communion is celebrated the first Sunday of each month.**

From Pastor Joyce...

Dear Members and Friends of Old Saratoga,

Greetings in the grace and peace of Christ!

As summer draws near, and plans for picnics, graduation parties, and vacations are being made, we pause to thank God for the gift of life, for faith, for the wonders of creation, for the joy of gathering with family, friends and community, and for the church as we worship and work together.

This coming Sunday, June 3, the church will gather for worship at 10 AM to celebrate the Lord's Supper. We're happy that **Pastor Jenn Legg** will be there to preach and help in the service. Her presence among us, since last November when she began her ministry with the Turning Point churches (Fort Miller, Bacon Hill and Old Saratoga), continues to bring the blessing of renewal as she helps and challenges us to live as people whom God has called to serve Christ by loving and caring for others—and ourselves.

After worship, the church family will meet for our **Annual Church Picnic** at the home of **Duffy and Bill Whitehouse**, who have graciously hosted us for many years at their home in the hills of Easton, overlooking the Hudson River Valley! This is always a special gathering for friends of all ages who come for the good food, the peaceful view, and to enjoy the company of others!

We're happy to share the good news that on May 29, the **audio system** in our sanctuary was upgraded by Sound Solutions of Saratoga. The hope is that everyone will be able to hear better in the sanctuary, especially those who are hearing impaired (including this pastor!)

Also, we're glad to announce that the **exterior painting** of the steeple, pillars, gable, window frames, and eaves and soffits of the church building was begun on May 30 by Hayes Contracting. We are most grateful to the church Property Committee for working on all our behalf for the upkeep and preservation of our historic church building!

Finally, we are looking forward to Sunday, **June 10**, when we welcome **Sherry Herdman as our guest in worship**. **Sherry, a cousin of church member, Kim Thayer**, volunteers at the **Mariposa DR Foundation** (Dominican Republic), a community based not for profit agency which helps lift women and girls (from the DR and Haiti) out of generational poverty by educating, empowering and employing them. Last year, at our annual meeting, the congregation approved supporting the Mariposa DR Foundation as one of our Mission of the Quarters for 2018. We hope many can come on 6/10 to meet Sherry and her story of mission, and to join together afterwards for a pot-luck lunch and conversation in Loomis Hall!

Thank you all, members and friends, for your ongoing care for Old Saratoga. With God's help, and your prayers and support, we're encouraged daily to be faithful in living and sharing the Good News of God's Love and Grace!

Wishing you all a blessed start to summer!

*Faithfully yours,
Pastor Joyce deVelder*

Church Family

HOSPITALIZED IN MAY

Paulette Foote – Saratoga Hospital

Gerry Barber – Saratoga Hospital

Rosie Driscoll- Saratoga Hospital

THANKS EXTENDED

..to **Karl Thayer, Cindy Brockman, Joyce, David and Mikael deVelder, Susanna Combs, Anna Bierma, Bruce Guerineau** and **Pam Seward** who all gave up a part of Sat. May 5 to come and help at the church cleanup
..to the **Women's Guild** who recently donated **\$200** for Fowler camperships to help our five youth going to camp; and for a **\$200** donation to help with the purchase of socks and underwear for the children of Uganda

NEW BABY

Blessings and congratulations to **Brian and Sarah Driscoll**, who welcomed the birth of their first child on April 23. Their new daughter is **Hailey Elizabeth Driscoll**, who weighed 8lb.3oz. Congratulations also to Hailey's grandparents, **Pam and Joe Driscoll**. Brian and Sarah live near Boston, MA.

WE GET LETTERS...

From Jennifer (MacMillan) Squires...

"We just celebrated one year in our new house. (Schenectady)Larissa will be moving back to the area in the near future, Tyler has gone through training with the military, and Donald is finishing his junior year at Schalmont. Thank you for sending JW. We like to read about what's happening with our church family. Larissa loved going to camp (Fowler) and we want to make a contribution to the camperships. May you all have an amazing summer!"

Much love from the Squires Family

*"I wish to express our sincere thanks for your recent gift of **\$279.96**, which was deposited into the Drilling for Hope Fund."*

With deepest appreciation,

John Eberle

President and CEO, Community Foundation

BIRTHDAYS



2: Vicki Perkins
3: Dale Cox
3: Kylie Dyke
5: Chris Garney
5: Bonnie Garrand
5: Eric Richards
9: Rich Zotzmann
11: Donald MacMillan
11: Gerry Barber
12: Pam Driscoll
12: Sydney Alexanian
15: Mellenie Rose Booth
16: Zoe Bartholomay
16: Nicholas Casey
16: Barbara Vincent
17: Ajay Thomas Deyoe
20: John Bodnar
21: Adam Burch
21: Matthew Waldinger
23: Olivia Edgar
24: Jenny Middlebrook
25: Patti Zotzmann
27: Kenny MacMillan
28: Wally Kroner
29: Sue Hughes

ANNIVERSARIES



1: Darryl and Cheryl (Sherman) Baust, 1996
2: Randy and Cindy Kerr
9: Jean Stark and Walter Kroner, 2001
9: Mary and Charlie Sherman 2002
24: Don and Jennifer (MacMillan) Squires, 1995
25: Tom and Sue Wilbur
25: Cindy and Jim Brockman 1994
27: Rixt (Bierma) and David Clifford

OUR FRIENDS IN HEALTH CARE FACILITIES/HOMEBOUND

Chauncey Mabb, Crescent Manor, 312
Crescent Blvd. , Bennington, VT 05201,
1-802-379-3148

Bette Tucker, Wesley Community, Victoria
212, 131 Lawrence St. Saratoga Springs,
NY 12866

Shirley Mabb, Saratoga Center A110, 149
Ballston Ave., Ballston Spa NY 12020

DINE TO DONATE

Our tireless Fundraising chairperson has
arranged another fun evening for us to
help the church!

Wednesday, June 6 5-9pm
(at your convenience)

**Dinner at the
Recovery Room Restaurant
2537 Rt.9 Malta**

15% of your check
(excluding tax and tip)
will be donated to the church.
(Coupons available at the church office)



Get a group of family or friends together and
enjoy an evening out!

SUMMER LETTER OF APPEAL

Our Summer Letter of Appeal will be sent
out in mid- June. We hope that you will
consider making a gift to the General
Fund, as this is a time when attendance is
generally lower, as people are away on
vacations. Thanks!

QUARTERLY MISSION Fowler Ministries

The mission for the second quarter (April-
June) is Fowler Ministries, which helps
support and sustain not only the camp
itself, but its programs and ministries. *"The
camp has been set aside for 64 years to
allow congregations to experience a
holy world, loved-redeemed-sustained by
a Holy God. We are, all together,
stewards of 245 acres, 1000 feet of
lakefront, over 30 buildings, all the
children who visit, and all the creatures
which make their homes there.*
*Donations from congregations account
for about 20% of the support needed to
sustain Camp Fowler."*

Rev. Kent Busman

Boxes are due back Sunday. June 24.

IN OUR PRAYERS

***"Pray at all times in the Spirit...making supplication
for all the saints." (Ephesians 6: 18)***

Ruth Hayes
Dwight Colvin
Alyson Fitzgerald
Susanna Combs
David Garrand
Rod Borgman
Trevor Lewie
Richard Zelazny
Ron Hamm
Evie Senecal
Charlotte Gorham
Gerry Barber
Susie Murphy
Anna Bierma
Sandy DeGregory
Mona Perkins
Sandy Horsfield
Anne Mitchell

Bette Tucker
Sue and Tom Wilbur
Anne Mitchell
Thomas Altrogge
Ryan Markwith
John Bodnar
Robin Woomer
Naomi Thayer
Sandy Jones
Alicia Lewie
Rosie Driscoll
Clyde Wells
Tom Barber
Sue Hughes
Charles Thayer
Suzanne Guerineau
Cheryl Durkee
Paulette Foote



Church Life

CHURCH PICNIC *Sunday, June 3 at noon*

Everyone is invited to the Annual Church Picnic to be held on **Sunday, June 3 at noon** at the home of **Duffy and Bill Whitehouse**. Please bring a dish to share, your own beverage and a lawn chair (if you have one.) If you have meat to cook, there will be a grill provided for you to use. A signup sheet is posted in the entryway.



Come and enjoy sharing a meal with your church friends and an afternoon in the country, overlooking the Hudson Valley! See you there!

STEWARDSHIP INVITATION UPDATE

Thank you to all those who have donated to the Stewardship Invitation. To date we have received gifts amounting to **\$3005**.

SUMMER SIGN UPS

The signup sheets for summer worship music and for our popular **Lemonade on the Lawn** are on the bulletin board in the foyer. Gather a few friends and sing together during the offering time, or play an instrument. You don't have to be an "expert" to make a "joyful noise!!"

We all look forward to sharing a glass of lemonade with our church family on summer Sunday mornings after worship out on the lawn. Please take a turn hosting by offering to bring some lemonade and cookies!

PASTOR JENN'S WORSHIP SCHEDULE FOR JUNE



Sun. June 3 OSRC

Sun. June 10 OSRC

Sun. June 17 Fort Miller

Sun. June 24 Bacon Hill

BIBLE STUDY DATES FOR JUNE

June 6, 13 Wednesdays
Regular meeting at OSRC at 10am

June 20 Wednesday
Picnic at the home of Jean Myers
11:30am
(Bible Study will resume on Sept. 12)

GARDENER NEEDED



Once again, Old Saratoga is requesting the help of someone who likes flowers, and would have a couple of hours each week to plant, water and weed our three flower beds (one by the sign on the corner, one around the spotlight on the front lawn, and one by the back door of the church, which has mostly ground cover) Plants will be purchased by the Property Committee and will just need to be put in the ground. Please let Pastor Joyce know if you are able to help. Thanks!

HYMNS OF OUR FAITH

"Sing to the Lord, you saints of his: praise his holy name." Psalm 30:4

"There's a quiet understanding when we're gathered in the Spirit;

It's a promise that he gives us, when we gather in his name.

There's a love we feel in Jesus, there's a manna that he feeds us;

It's a promise that he gives us, when we gather in his name."

When I think about the "great" hymns of the church, so many of which I have written about for Jacob's Well, I discover that most of the lyrics were written in the 19th century, often by pastors and theologians, and have been set to music written by well-known composers of even earlier times.

There's a Quiet Understanding" is the exception to previous articles. It is a wonderful hymn with a folk music feeling, written in the 1970's. It was inspired by an informal communion service which 12 people shared in a hotel room in Oakland, CA, following a Crusade service. The composer of both lyrics and song tune was Edward "Tedd" Smith, an associate of the Billy Graham team.

Tedd Smith said, "As we sat in a circle on the floor sharing communion, the feeling of being strangers disappeared and there seemed to come to a quiet understanding of each other, a feeling of being brothers and sisters and seeing the oneness Christ promised whenever two or three gather in his name." 11

The thoughts and feelings engendered by the opening verse are continued in the second and closing verse, which reads as follows:

"And we know when we're together, sharing love and understanding,

That our brothers and our sisters feel the oneness that he brings.

Thank you, thank you, Jesus, for the way you love and feed us,

For the many ways you lead us, thank you, thank you, Lord."

11. The Worshipping Church, a Hymnal, Worship Leaders Edition, Hope Publishing Co., Carol Stream, IL p788

Dick Behrens

GRADUATES



If you will have a graduate in your family this year (child or grandchild) please let the office know and the future plans of the graduate. All names will be printed in the **July JW**, after the graduations have occurred. Thanks!

CHANCEL CHOIR ENDS SEASON



Many thanks go to the faithful members of our Chancel Choir for their musical contributions to worship throughout this past year. They will be taking a vacation for the summer, and will return early in September to help lead the congregation in music ministry.

Special thanks go to **Christopher Tucker**, our Minister of Music, for his leadership and instruction, and always making choir practice a fun filled evening; and to **Barbara Elcox** for her faithful, cheerful service to our church.

VILLAGE WEBSITE HOMEPAGE FEATURES OSRC

The village of Schuylerville unveiled a new website recently, which is mobile friendly and offers information about all aspects of village life. The homepage shows a wonderful picture of OSRC! Check it out!!

www.villageofschuylerville.org

GENERAL SYNOD TO MEET

The General Synod of the Reformed Church in America (RCA) will meet from June 7-12 on the campus of Calvin College in Grand Rapids, MI. To follow synod proceedings and decisions, go to

www.rca.org

PROPERTY COMMITTEE REPORT

The Property Committee reports that the following jobs were done on the church cleanup day held on May 5:

INSIDE: stove cleaned, red and gray carts scrubbed, lift window cleaned out, refrigerator shelves cleaned, kitchen counters cleaned

OUTSIDE: front and rear entries cleaned and swept, trees on lawn mulched, winter debris cleaned from around front spotlight, picnic table set up, weeding and cleanup in playground area, weeding around church foundation

Committee members are looking forward to:

1. the painting of the church exterior (6/1), which has been on the "back burner" for several years and
2. the upgrade to our sound system, scheduled for 5/29

The next meeting will be 6/18 at 7pm

FOWLER CAMPERSHIPS



We currently have five youth (**Bridget Behrens, Makenzie Harrington, Bridgette Lewie, Ajay Deyoe and Holly Deyoe**) who will be going to Camp Fowler this summer. Each camper will receive a campership of **\$300** from OSRC towards the cost of the week. If you would like to contribute towards this cost, please make your check to OSRC, earmarked "**campership.**" **Thanks!**

GUEST IN WORSHIP

Sunday, June 10

The Board of Deacons is pleased to announce that on Sunday, June 10, Old Saratoga will welcome **Sherry Herdman** to our worship service to speak about the mission that she and her husband, **Glenn**, volunteer with in the Dominican Republic (DR) in the Caribbean region.

Sherry is a cousin of **Kim Thayer**, member of Old Saratoga. She and Glenn are residents of western NY, but spend part of their year in their other home in the Dominican Republic.

Sherry has graciously accepted our invitation to come and tell us about the work of the **Mariposa DR Foundation**. Last fall, at our annual congregational meeting, we voted to support the Mariposa DR Foundation as one of our four Missions of the Quarter.

The Mariposa Foundation began in 2009 with the goal of working "to end extreme generational poverty" and to assist women and girls, especially, that are not "looking for a handout, but a hand up."

The Mariposa Center for Girls in the DR was established to educate, empower and employ girls from the Dominican Republic and neighboring Haiti. You can find more information by going to www.mariposadrfoundation.org.

Sherry will be telling us more about her unique contribution that has to do with teaching girls to sew. She will also share with us the opportunities that exist for supporting the Mariposa DR with not only dollars, but with the collection of items needed, and a possible mission trip to the DR.

NEW MEMBERS

The congregation was pleased to welcome two new members on Sunday May 20 (Pentecost):

Susanna Augusta Combs was born 7/16/64 on Long Island, and currently lives in Gansevoort. She was baptized and confirmed at Trinity St. John's Episcopal Church on LI, where she was a member for 30 years. When she moved to Amsterdam, NY she was reconfirmed at Our Lady of Carmel Roman Catholic Church. After graduation, Susanna went to Katherine Gibbs Business College on Manhattan, where she received a business degree, and went on to work in the legal field. She currently works at a Saratoga law firm which specializes in litigation law and represents school districts across the state.

Susanna has two grown children: a son, **Glenn Stamile** (29) and a daughter, **Caroline Stamile** (24), both of whom live in Amsterdam. Susanna's interests include camping, cooking, reading and kayaking. She shared with the elders how being a part of a church has always been part of her life, and that she values a church that is welcoming, community-oriented and feels like "family."



Joseph John Corsetti (Joe) was born in Saratoga 8/23/56, was raised in Schuylerville, and baptized and confirmed in Notre Dame Roman Catholic Church. He served as an altar boy during Father William LeMoyne's priesthood. Joe graduated from Schuylerville High in 1975, and went to work for NY State in the Highway Maintenance Division. For the next 40 years, Joe did on the job training, instructing workers in equipment operation and snow plowing. He retired from the state last April, 2017 and lives in Schuylerville. Joe is father to a son, **Shawn Corsetti** (25) who works as an installer for Best Buy. Though Joe is currently retired, he keeps busy at Fiddlers Elbow Wreck, where he's had a camper for the past five years, and helps maintain the roads in the complex. Joe's interests include camping, pistol shooting and four-wheeling.

Joe shared with the elders how, when he was younger, he felt "forced" to be involved in the church, but how, as he gets older, he values a change of emphasis from requirements to relationships. He told us how it makes him feel good when there's a "friendly feeling" in the church and people make a point to say "hello" and show interest in others.

DONATIONS FOR UGANDA



Chris Garney's niece, **Amya Bertrand**, is preparing to return to Uganda with her grandparents' charity, *The Giving Circle*. She writes, "Good socks and underwear are the second most-requested things, behind food, by impoverished third world families, but the least donated. Many African children go without underwear because their parents have to choose between clothing items for their children - they can't afford everything - and no one can tell if you aren't wearing underwear." Amya is collecting new black or gray socks and underwear for boys and girls of all ages and sizes. If you would like to help, please bring your donations to church by **June 17th**. Thank you.

IN OUR COMMUNITY

SECOND HAND ROSE THRIFT SHOP

116 Broadway, Schuylerville NY



Tues. – Sat. 11am-4pm

**Donations gladly accepted
during store hours**

Volunteers are always needed!

Call Charlotte at 518- 695-4640

Next Board meeting: June 22 at 9:30 at OSRC

SAFER

Schuylerville Area Food Relief

Open 9-12 noon M, F

518- 260-4779

SCHUYLERVILLE LIBRARY MUSIC PROGRAMS

Libraries Rock : Summer Music Programs

Featuring performers such as
the Zucchini Bros: Peter, Paul and George;
violinist Concetta Abbate; Rural Soul Studio;
“Story Laurie” McIntosh. Programs are free!!

Info: descriptions and schedule at

schuylervillelibrary.sals.edu or

518-695-6641

LOCAL CHURCH DINNERS AND EVENTS

6/2 Sat. Chicken BBQ at Bacon Hill

9/15 Sat. Garage Sale at Notre Dame-Visitation

10/20 Sat. Roast Pork at Quaker Springs

SHRED DAYS

Have some papers you need shredded?

Adirondack Trust Bank is sponsoring a shred day
on **Sat. 6/9**, at their Queensbury office

and again on **Sat. 9/15** at the Saratoga office
(31 Church St.) You may bring **two** cartons to be
shredded for **FREE!**

Call the bank for more info!

PASTORAL NEWS AND CHANGES

Rev. Janet Vincent will celebrate her 30th
Anniversary of Ordination to Ministry of Word
and Sacrament on Sunday, June 24. (Pastor
Jan, who has served Bacon Hill Reformed
Church for the past 18 years, is also a chaplain
for Hospice of Saratoga and Washington
Counties.)

Pastor Ben Lalka and his wife Alyssa, will be
moving the last week of June to their new
church in Rochester. Pastor Ben’s last services
at Schuylerville and Quaker Springs United
Methodist Churches will be Sunday, June 24.
There will be an Open House for the Lalkas on
Sat. June 9 from 3-6pm at SUMC.

On Sunday, July 1, **Pastor John Iseman**, his
wife **Jackie** and their two young children, will
begin ministry at the Schuylerville and Quaker
Springs United Methodist churches. Pastor
John has served at the Christ the King Spiritual
Life Center, and at the UMC churches in
Easton, Stump (North Cambridge) South
Cambridge and Eagle Bridge.

Pastor Arlene Schmidt, a Methodist lay
preacher from Ballston Spa, will take John’s
place with the four Methodist churches on
Sunday, July 1, and will be working alongside
Rev. Virginia Cornell, who continues to serve
as pastor of the Easton and Stump churches.

Pastor Jason Proctor, who has served the
Schuylerville Assembly of God (Faith Chapel) for
ten years, will change denominations and begin
July 1 as the local pastor of the Corinth and Middle
Grove United Methodist Churches. We will miss
Pastor Jason, who expressed how “honored” he
has felt to serve Faith Chapel and the Schuylerville
Community these past years.

*Please remember the pastors and their families in
your prayers, as they transition into new ministries.
Pray also for the congregations as they welcome
their new pastoral leaders.*

“JACOB’S WELL”

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Paulette Foote, Cindy Brockman, Bruce Guerineau,
Anne Mitchell

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Sunday Worship: 10:00 am

Sunday School: *as announced*

Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

Sunday June 3 at 10 am

Pastor Jenn preaching

Church Family Picnic

Sunday June 3 following worship

(details inside)

Guest in Worship: Sherry Herdman

from the Mariposa Foundation (Dominican Republic)

Sunday June 10 10am

Covered dish luncheon to follow

Dine to Donate

Fundraiser at Recovery Room, Malta

Wednesday June 6 5-9pm

(details inside)